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# *Inside Your Third*

*The Newsletter for the Third Taxing District Electric Department*

## **Your Commission**

Dennis J. Santella—Chairman

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David Brown—Commissioner

John Mola—Treasurer

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*2 Second Street East Norwalk, CT 06855*

*Happy Holidays from the Employees, Commissioners and Treasurer of the Third Taxing District*

## **Upcoming Events:**

- December 3 Tree Lighting  
Fitch Park  
6:30
- December 11 Commission  
Meeting 7:00  
Eunice Van  
Zilen Room
- December 21 Menorah  
Lighting  
Constitution  
Park 7:00
- December 21 First Night of  
Hannukah
- December 25 Christmas
- December 31 New Year's  
Eve
- January 1, 2001 New Year's  
Day  
Happy New  
Year!



Wishing all of our friends a happy and healthy holiday season.  
L. to R. : Greg Goldstein, Tim Lyons, Fred Heibeck, Ray Mitchell, Joe Chariott,  
Stephen Feinstein, Rachel Garcia, Ana Aguilar, John Mola,  
Dennis Santella, Ron Scofield, Victor Tenore, David Brown

# Signs of the Season



## Holiday Lights

### Inter-Faith Committee Sponsors Menorah Lighting

On December 21 at 7:00, the Third Taxing District in conjunction with East Norwalk Inter-Faith Committee will sponsor a Menorah lighting. The event commemorates the first night of Hanukkah. This is the only municipal Menorah lighting in the City. The lighting will take place at Constitution Park. Constitution Park is adjacent to the Strofollino drawbridge at Liberty Square. Cantor Joanne Rice will officiate and perform. A string quartet will also provide music for the event. Refreshments will be served. All persons are encouraged to attend and show support for the community.

### Christmas Tree Shines Brightly

On December 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Third Taxing District once again sponsored the annual Christmas Tree Lighting. A large crowd was exceptionally entertained by choirs from Marvin and Nathan Hale schools. Chairman Santella and Vice-Chairman Feinstein addressed those in attendance. Mayor Esposito imparted his best wishes for the holiday season. The highlight of the evening was the arrival of Santa Claus on a firetruck, to hand out candycanes to the children. A manger built and donated by Chairman Santella was presented as the newest addition to the District.

These community building events were proudly sponsored and provided by the Third Taxing District.

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## Holiday Safety Tips

The Third Taxing District Electrical Department reminds you this holiday season to take appropriate safety precautions when using decorative lighting.

Outdoor lights. When decorating outdoors, be sure to use lights approved for all weather outdoor use. Never use indoor lights for outside decorating. Exterior lights should be connected or plugged into a GFI (ground fault interruptible) outlet for safety and enhanced protection during wet weather conditions.

Don't overload. When stringing light sets, never connect more than the manufacturer recommended number of light sets together. Too many sets, connected together, can overheat and burn the wiring, causing a fire.

Fresh cut trees. When decorating a "real" (not artificial) tree indoors, consider using small, miniature size lights. They give off less heat, and will save energy. Never leave your home with the tree lights turned on. Regularly check the water level in the tree's water reservoir. Properly anchor your tree so it won't tip over and fall.

Conserve energy. Don't waste energy. Turn off exterior decorative lights during the day. Most can't be seen during the day, anyway. If you forget, consider using a timer switch. That way, they'll be lit only at night. You'll save energy and money.

Careful with candles. If you use candles during the holiday season in your Menorah or for decoration, special care should be taken. Don't place candles under cabinets or near anything flammable. If you are leaving your home for the evening, place the candles in the sink to burn down. And keep children away from open flames.

Drive safely. All of us enjoy driving at night to view the decorated homes in our neighborhood. Remember – be alert, and drive carefully. Park on the side of the road to view an exceptionally well decorated home.

Enjoy the season! The beauty of the holiday season is a lifetime memory. With extra care, we will enjoy the memories that much more!